

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Edgardo Costa Maianti et al. Attorney Docket: DID1047US

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For: **DEVICE AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING BLOOD IN EXTRACORPOREAL CIRCULATION**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
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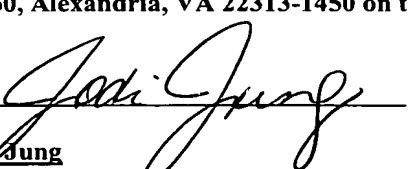
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2006, please amend the claims and enter the remarks as follows. This Amendment and Response is a complete response to the Office Action of June 1, 2006, and a bona fide effort to advance this application to allowance.

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